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The references are cited in the International Search Report of applicant's corresponding PCT Application No. PCT/JP2004/004126, a copy of which is enclosed.

It is requested that the Examiner review the references noted and make such consideration of record.

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